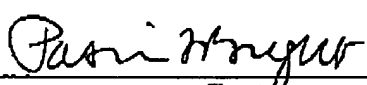


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<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b> <b>(Small Entity)</b>			<b>Docket No.</b> D9426				
In Re Application Of: <b>Rick K. Southern et al.</b>							
<b>Serial No.</b> 10/034,446	<b>Filing Date</b> 12/26/2001	<b>Examiner</b> Dennis Dorsey	<b>Group Art Unit</b> 3637				
<b>Invention:</b> <b>METHODS FOR ATTACHING SOLID HARDWOOD FLOOR PLANKS TO CONCRETE FLOOR SURFACES</b>							
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u></p> <p>This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of <u>July 2, 2003</u> in the above-identified application. <small>Date</small></p> <p>The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month    <input type="checkbox"/> Two months    <input type="checkbox"/> Three months    <input type="checkbox"/> Four months    <input type="checkbox"/> Five months</p> <p>from: <u>October 2, 2003</u>    until: <u>November 2, 2003</u> <small>Date</small>    <small>Date</small></p> <p>A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27: <input type="checkbox"/> is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has already been filed in this application.</p> <p>The fee for the extension of time is \$55 and is to be paid as follows: <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. <b>02-3823</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. <b>02-3823</b></p> <p> <small>Signature</small></p> <p><b>Dated: October 30, 2003</b></p> <p><b>Patrick F. Bright</b> <b>BRIGHT &amp; LORIG</b> 633 West Fifth Street, Ste. 3330 Los Angeles, CA 90071 Tel. (213) 627-7774 Fax (213) 627-8508 Attorney Reg. No. 24,318</p> <p>cc:</p> <table border="1"><tr><td>I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on _____ with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.</td></tr><tr><td><b>Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence</b></td></tr><tr><td><b>Facsimile Transmission</b></td></tr><tr><td><b>Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</b></td></tr></table>				I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on _____ with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.	<b>Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence</b>	<b>Facsimile Transmission</b>	<b>Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</b>
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